



**Donald D. Sowder**  
**Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors**

Mr. Donald D. Sowder was elected as the Midlothian District Supervisor in a special election held November 7, 2006.

Born in Rocky Mount, Virginia, Sowder received a Bachelor of Science degree in dairy technology at Virginia Tech and participated in graduate level coursework at Columbia University and the University of Virginia, as well as a variety of military coursework.

Mr. Sowder retired from Wyeth Laboratories in 1995 after holding numerous corporate positions and has served as a consultant to the pharmaceutical industry since that time.

With 33 years of commissioned service, including three years of enlisted service, Sowder retired in 1992 as a colonel with the United States Army Reserve.

Mr. Sowder was appointed to serve on Senator Allen's Federal Military Academies Selection Committee and also serves on the Board of Directors, Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets Alumni, Inc. and as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of Virginia United Methodist Homes, Inc. He is a member of River Road United Methodist Church and the Charter Woods Community Association.

Mr. Sowder currently serves on the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission, Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Metropolitan Richmond Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Maymont Foundation.

Mr. Sowder is married with three adult children and seven grandchildren.